

U.S. Census Bureau News
Joint Release
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

U.S. Department of Commerce • Washington, D.C. 20233

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2014 AT 8:30 A.M. EST

CB14-12

Raemeka Mayo or Stephen Cooper
Manufacturing and Construction Division
(301) 763-5160

NEW RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION IN DECEMBER 2013

The U.S. Census Bureau and the Department of Housing and Urban Development jointly announced the following new residential construction statistics for December 2013:

BUILDING PERMITS

Privately-owned housing units authorized by building permits in December were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 986,000. This is 3.0 percent ($\pm 1.1\%$) below the revised November rate of 1,017,000, but is 4.6 percent ($\pm 1.1\%$) above the December 2012 estimate of 943,000.

Single-family authorizations in December were at a rate of 610,000; this is 4.8 percent ($\pm 1.0\%$) below the revised November figure of 641,000. Authorizations of units in buildings with five units or more were at a rate of 350,000 in December.

An estimated 974,700 housing units were authorized by building permits in 2013. This is 17.5 percent ($\pm 0.8\%$) above the 2012 figure of 829,700.

HOUSING STARTS

Privately-owned housing starts in December were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 999,000. This is 9.8 percent ($\pm 10.7\%$)* below the revised November estimate of 1,107,000, but is 1.6 percent ($\pm 11.9\%$)* above the December 2012 rate of 983,000.

Single-family housing starts in December were at a rate of 667,000; this is 7.0 percent ($\pm 8.9\%$)* below the revised November figure of 717,000. The December rate for units in buildings with five units or more was 312,000.

An estimated 923,400 housing units were started in 2013. This is 18.3 percent ($\pm 2.9\%$) above the 2012 figure of 780,600.

HOUSING COMPLETIONS

Privately-owned housing completions in December were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 744,000. This is 10.8 percent ($\pm 9.9\%$) below the revised November estimate of 834,000, but is 10.7 percent ($\pm 11.7\%$)* above the December 2012 rate of 672,000.

Single-family housing completions in December were at a rate of 550,000; this is 8.2 percent ($\pm 10.1\%$)* below the revised November rate of 599,000. The December rate for units in buildings with five units or more was 183,000.

An estimated 762,200 housing units were completed in 2013. This is 17.4 percent ($\pm 3.7\%$) above the 2012 figure of 649,200.

New Residential Construction data for January 2014 will be released on Wednesday, February 19, 2014, at 8:30 A.M. EST.

Our Internet site is: <http://www.census.gov/starts>

To receive the latest updates on the Nation's key economic indicators, download the America's Economy app for Apple and Android smartphones and tablets.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

In interpreting changes in the statistics in this release, note that month-to-month changes in seasonally adjusted statistics often show movements which may be irregular. It may take 2 months to establish an underlying trend for building permit authorizations, 4 months for total starts, and 6 months for total completions. The statistics in this release are estimated from sample surveys and are subject to sampling variability as well as nonsampling error including bias and variance from response, nonreporting, and undercoverage. Estimated relative standard errors of the most recent data are shown in the tables. Whenever a statement such as "2.5 percent ($\pm 3.2\%$) above" appears in the text, this indicates the range (-0.7 to +5.7 percent) in which the actual percent change is likely to have occurred. All ranges given for percent changes are 90-percent confidence intervals and account only for sampling variability. If a range does not contain zero, the change is statistically significant. If it does contain zero, the change is not statistically significant; that is, it is uncertain whether there was an increase or decrease. The same policies apply to the confidence intervals for percent changes shown in the tables. On average, the preliminary seasonally adjusted estimates of total building permits, housing starts and housing completions are revised about two percent or less. Explanations of confidence intervals and sampling variability can be found on our web site listed above.

* 90% confidence interval includes zero. The Census Bureau does not have sufficient statistical evidence to conclude that the actual change is different from zero.

Table 1. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Authorized in Permit-Issuing Places

[Thousands of units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding]

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	In structures with --			Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
		1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more								
Seasonally adjusted annual rate												
2012: December	943	584	30	329	100	49	146	101	471	310	226	124
2013: January	915	588	26	301	100	45	147	101	448	309	220	133
February	952	600	31	321	83	50	148	93	488	319	233	138
March	890	599	25	266	100	49	139	93	450	322	201	135
April	1,005	614	25	366	99	52	165	98	515	332	226	132
May	985	620	27	338	101	52	153	101	510	333	221	134
June	918	625	26	267	105	52	145	102	458	331	210	140
July	954	609	27	318	113	50	154	104	459	322	228	133
August	926	627	23	276	123	50	159	107	423	330	221	140
September	974	615	28	331	101	55	177	106	501	328	195	126
October	1,039	621	27	391	102	55	162	98	543	331	232	137
November (r)	1,017	641	24	352	107	59	160	107	511	341	239	134
December (p)	986	610	26	350	119	55	130	94	473	315	264	146
Average RSE (%) ¹	1	1	5	1	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
Percent Change:												
<i>December 2013 from November 2013</i>	-3.0%	-4.8%	8.3%	-0.6%	11.2%	-6.8%	-18.8%	-12.1%	-7.4%	-7.6%	10.5%	9.0%
<i>90% Confidence Interval³</i>	± 1.1	± 1.0	± 2.3	± 2.7	± 2.3	± 3.8	± 3.7	± 4.8	± 2.1	± 2.7	± 1.3	± 1.9
<i>December 2013 from December 2012</i>	4.6%	4.5%	-13.3%	6.4%	19.0%	12.2%	-11.0%	-6.9%	0.4%	1.6%	16.8%	17.7%
<i>90% Confidence Interval³</i>	± 1.1	± 0.7	± 20.2	± 1.4	± 6.2	± 10.2	± 3.1	± 4.0	± 0.8	± 1.0	± 1.8	± 2.6
Not seasonally adjusted												
2012:	829.7	518.7	25.9	285.1	84.7	44.2	133.0	87.3	427.8	276.0	184.2	111.2
2013: (p)	974.7	617.2	26.6	330.9	107.9	52.5	154.2	101.8	484.5	326.5	228.1	136.5
RSE (%)	(Z)	(Z)	3	(Z)	3	2	1	1	(Z)	(Z)	1	1
Year to Year Percent Change⁴	17.5%	19.0%	2.7%	16.1%	27.4%	18.8%	15.9%	16.6%	13.3%	18.3%	23.9%	22.7%
<i>90% Confidence Interval³</i>	± 0.8	± 0.9	± 4.8	± 0.9	± 4.1	± 5.9	± 1.4	± 1.7	± 0.5	± 0.6	± 1.5	± 1.9
2012: December	67.2	36.3	2.2	28.7	7.7	3.2	9.1	5.3	34.2	20.0	16.3	7.8
2013: January	63.7	40.5	1.8	21.5	6.6	2.8	7.2	4.8	34.8	23.8	15.1	9.1
February	66.0	42.0	2.2	21.7	4.9	2.8	7.6	5.1	37.0	24.6	16.5	9.5
March	75.8	51.4	2.0	22.4	7.2	3.8	10.9	7.6	40.4	28.4	17.4	11.6
April	90.5	59.7	2.3	28.5	8.7	5.0	16.2	10.4	45.6	31.6	20.0	12.7
May	94.9	62.4	2.4	30.1	9.7	5.4	15.4	11.0	47.4	32.3	22.3	13.7
June	83.9	57.0	2.3	24.6	11.2	4.8	13.2	9.7	40.0	29.2	19.5	13.3
July	88.1	58.3	2.6	27.2	10.8	5.0	15.0	10.5	41.2	29.9	21.1	13.0
August	85.2	57.6	2.1	25.5	11.0	4.6	15.4	10.5	38.0	29.8	20.8	12.7
September	81.3	50.2	2.3	28.9	8.6	4.8	16.5	9.5	40.8	25.6	15.4	10.1
October	90.3	54.0	2.5	33.9	9.2	5.2	17.1	9.9	45.0	27.4	19.1	11.6
November (r)	71.7	43.5	1.8	26.4	8.0	4.3	12.2	7.5	35.1	22.9	16.5	8.8
December (p)	74.9	39.8	2.2	32.8	10.1	3.7	8.5	5.1	36.1	21.3	20.1	9.6
Average RSE (%) ¹	1	1	5	1	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	1

(p) Preliminary. (r) Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards.

X Not applicable. Z Relative standard error is less than 0.5 percent.

¹Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.

²Reflects revisions not distributed to months.

³See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.

⁴Computed using unrounded data.

Table 2. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Authorized, but Not Started, at End of Period

[Thousands of units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding]

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	In structures with --			Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
		1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more								
Not seasonally adjusted												
2012: December	92.5	43.0	2.8	46.7	8.2	4.6	6.5	4.6	54.3	24.7	23.5	9.1
2013: January	92.7	43.8	2.6	46.3	7.9	4.4	8.6	5.1	54.4	25.5	21.8	8.9
February	93.4	43.9	2.4	47.1	7.2	4.5	8.8	5.5	54.7	25.0	22.6	9.0
March	86.2	44.5	2.5	39.3	6.7	4.6	10.5	6.3	49.1	25.7	20.0	7.9
April	94.6	48.6	1.9	44.2	6.5	4.2	12.6	6.7	55.3	29.1	20.2	8.5
May	102.1	53.1	1.7	47.3	9.3	5.0	14.2	7.9	55.1	30.4	23.5	9.9
June	102.7	51.6	2.0	49.2	9.7	4.9	14.6	7.6	54.8	29.3	23.6	9.7
July	102.5	53.1	1.6	47.8	7.9	4.7	14.6	7.8	58.9	30.6	21.1	10.1
August	104.1	54.2	2.0	47.9	9.3	4.3	15.4	7.9	58.1	32.6	21.3	9.4
September	108.7	55.4	1.7	51.7	9.4	5.0	14.5	7.9	63.8	32.9	21.1	9.6
October (r)	118.2	60.9	1.5	55.8	8.1	4.3	16.3	8.7	71.6	36.1	22.3	11.8
November (r)	104.4	54.4	1.7	48.3	8.8	5.0	11.0	6.7	63.9	33.0	20.7	9.7
December (p)	108.7	52.8	1.7	54.2	11.5	5.3	10.0	5.9	64.8	30.7	22.4	10.9
Average RSE (%) ¹	6	6	25	11	14	17	11	10	10	9	12	15
Percent Change:²												
<i>December 2013 from November 2013</i>	4.1%	-3.1%	2.5%	12.3%	30.7%	5.5%	-8.7%	-12.3%	1.4%	-7.0%	8.2%	12.1%
<i>90% Confidence Interval³</i>	±4.8	±5.3	±28.0	±10.9	±17.5	±11.3	±12.5	±15.7	±5.6	±6.4	±15.2	±14.4
<i>December 2013 from December 2012</i>	17.6%	22.7%	-38.8%	16.2%	39.6%	14.3%	54.4%	27.4%	19.4%	24.4%	-4.7%	20.1%
<i>90% Confidence Interval³</i>	±10.5	±11.1	±24.7	±17.0	±39.4	±19.5	±45.0	±26.3	±14.5	±20.3	±18.9	±40.7

(p) Preliminary. (r) Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards.

¹Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.

² Computed using unrounded data.

³ See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.

Note: These data represent the number of housing units authorized in all months up to and including the last day of the reporting period and not started as of that date without regard to the months of original permit issuance. Cancelled, abandoned, expired, and revoked permits are excluded.

Table 3. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Started

[Thousands of units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding]

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	In structures with --			Total	1 unit						
		1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more								
Seasonally adjusted annual rate												
2012: December	983	620	(S)	345	115	55	190	108	465	322	213	135
2013: January	898	614	(S)	273	87	49	95	94	483	331	233	140
February	969	652	(S)	307	106	67	135	94	505	350	223	141
March	1,005	623	(S)	356	94	45	140	105	554	339	217	134
April	852	593	(S)	244	79	60	154	108	412	291	207	134
May	919	597	(S)	311	101	48	135	92	482	332	201	125
June	835	605	(S)	219	85	50	126	93	419	325	205	137
July	891	587	(S)	285	113	53	158	101	400	310	220	123
August	883	620	(S)	251	96	57	149	105	438	315	200	143
September	873	580	(S)	283	98	54	164	101	427	305	184	120
October (r)	899	600	(S)	289	119	72	162	99	406	299	212	130
November (r)	1,107	717	(S)	380	90	54	221	122	562	375	234	166
December (p)	999	667	(S)	312	90	50	147	118	493	365	269	134
Average RSE (%) ¹	6	5	(X)	14	18	12	10	11	9	7	11	10
Percent Change:												
December 2013 from November 2013	-9.8%	-7.0%	(S)	-17.9%	0.0%	-7.4%	-33.5%	-3.3%	-12.3%	-2.7%	15.0%	-19.3%
90% Confidence Interval²	± 10.7	± 8.9	(X)	± 25.6	± 21.7	± 30.8	± 12.1	± 22.9	± 18.8	± 15.2	± 29.7	± 24.8
December 2013 from December 2012	1.6%	7.6%	(S)	-9.6%	-21.7%	-9.1%	-22.6%	9.3%	6.0%	13.4%	26.3%	-0.7%
90% Confidence Interval²	± 11.9	± 12.0	(X)	± 26.1	± 27.2	± 31.2	± 21.0	± 42.8	± 17.5	± 16.3	± 24.9	± 16.8
Not seasonally adjusted												
2012:	780.6	535.3	11.4	233.9	79.7	46.5	127.9	92.1	397.8	282.6	175.1	114.1
2013: (p)	923.4	617.8	13.7	291.9	97.1	55.1	149.9	102.3	461.6	325.9	214.8	134.6
RSE (%)	1	1	19	4	4	3	2	1	2	2	3	2
Year to Year Percent Change³	18.3%	15.4%	19.9%	24.8%	21.8%	18.5%	17.2%	11.0%	16.0%	15.3%	22.7%	17.9%
90% Confidence Interval²	± 2.9	± 2.6	± 32.0	± 8.2	± 8.7	± 6.1	± 5.4	± 6.6	± 4.3	± 3.7	± 8.4	± 4.6
2012: December	63.2	38.2	1.2	23.8	7.9	3.8	11.0	5.4	30.6	20.8	13.6	8.2
2013: January	58.7	39.4	0.7	18.6	5.4	2.8	4.2	4.1	33.8	23.4	15.4	9.0
February	66.1	44.2	0.7	21.1	6.3	3.6	7.2	4.4	36.8	26.1	15.8	10.1
March	83.3	52.5	2.1	28.7	7.5	3.6	10.2	7.4	47.4	30.0	18.2	11.5
April	76.3	55.3	1.2	19.8	7.4	5.9	14.0	10.2	36.6	26.8	18.3	12.4
May	87.2	57.9	1.0	28.3	9.5	4.7	14.0	10.0	44.3	30.7	19.4	12.5
June	80.7	60.9	1.0	18.8	8.1	5.1	12.7	9.9	39.8	31.7	20.2	14.3
July	84.0	57.4	1.7	25.0	10.5	5.3	15.8	10.8	37.2	29.3	20.5	12.1
August	80.4	56.5	1.1	22.8	8.7	5.1	14.8	10.8	38.4	27.2	18.5	13.3
September	78.4	51.0	1.0	26.5	8.9	4.7	15.4	9.5	37.9	26.5	16.2	10.2
October (r)	78.4	49.2	1.0	28.3	11.4	6.9	15.8	9.7	33.6	23.1	17.5	9.5
November (r)	84.2	51.2	0.9	32.2	7.0	3.9	17.7	9.3	42.6	26.7	17.0	11.2
December (p)	65.7	42.4	1.4	21.9	6.3	3.5	8.2	6.2	33.3	24.4	17.9	8.4
Average RSE (%) ¹	6	5	30	14	18	12	10	11	9	7	11	10

(p) Preliminary. (r) Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards.

X Not applicable.

¹ Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.

² See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.

³ Computed using unrounded data.

Table 4. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Under Construction at End of Period

[Thousands of units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding]

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	In structures with --			Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
		1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more								
Seasonally adjusted												
2012: December	551	284	(S)	258	93	35	85	52	240	133	133	64
2013: January	563	288	(S)	266	94	35	86	53	246	135	137	65
February	581	292	(S)	280	97	36	87	53	257	138	140	65
March	594	293	(S)	290	98	35	89	54	268	141	139	63
April	607	302	(S)	294	99	37	91	55	275	145	142	65
May	621	307	(S)	303	101	37	93	56	281	148	146	66
June	628	313	(S)	305	96	38	93	56	288	151	151	68
July	637	315	(S)	311	97	37	96	57	291	155	153	66
August	653	320	(S)	322	101	38	100	58	296	156	156	68
September	661	323	(S)	327	102	39	102	58	298	157	159	69
October (r)	668	322	(S)	335	106	41	107	59	294	154	161	68
November (r)	688	331	(S)	347	106	41	113	60	306	161	163	69
December (p)	707	339	(S)	357	106	41	115	61	316	167	170	70
Average RSE (%) ¹	3	3	(X)	4	5	6	4	5	3	4	5	8
Percent Change:												
<i>December 2013 from November 2013</i>	<i>2.8%</i>	<i>2.4%</i>	<i>(S)</i>	<i>2.9%</i>	<i>0.0%</i>	<i>0.0%</i>	<i>1.8%</i>	<i>1.7%</i>	<i>3.3%</i>	<i>3.7%</i>	<i>4.3%</i>	<i>1.4%</i>
<i>90% Confidence Interval²</i>	<i>± 1.1</i>	<i>± 1.4</i>	<i>(X)</i>	<i>± 1.7</i>	<i>± 2.1</i>	<i>± 2.2</i>	<i>± 2.1</i>	<i>± 2.8</i>	<i>± 1.8</i>	<i>± 2.0</i>	<i>± 2.1</i>	<i>± 3.6</i>
<i>December 2013 from December 2012</i>	<i>28.3%</i>	<i>19.4%</i>	<i>(S)</i>	<i>38.4%</i>	<i>14.0%</i>	<i>17.1%</i>	<i>35.3%</i>	<i>17.3%</i>	<i>31.7%</i>	<i>25.6%</i>	<i>27.8%</i>	<i>9.4%</i>
<i>90% Confidence Interval²</i>	<i>± 4.2</i>	<i>± 4.5</i>	<i>(X)</i>	<i>± 8.4</i>	<i>± 6.7</i>	<i>± 8.5</i>	<i>± 9.8</i>	<i>± 10.2</i>	<i>± 5.7</i>	<i>± 7.1</i>	<i>± 10.3</i>	<i>± 7.8</i>
Not seasonally adjusted												
2012: December	532.5	267.7	9.2	255.7	91.3	33.6	83.4	50.6	229.3	123.4	128.6	60.0
2013: January	543.1	271.0	9.2	262.9	92.2	33.5	82.6	49.7	236.6	127.2	131.8	60.6
February	563.6	276.3	9.2	278.0	94.7	34.5	82.7	48.5	250.3	131.6	135.9	61.8
March	584.3	282.6	10.6	291.0	97.7	34.3	85.1	49.6	264.8	137.8	136.7	60.9
April	605.3	298.6	11.1	295.6	99.3	36.9	89.0	52.4	275.5	145.2	141.5	64.2
May	627.7	309.2	10.8	307.7	102.4	37.5	92.8	55.1	284.7	150.2	147.8	66.4
June	640.4	323.0	10.4	307.1	96.8	38.7	95.4	57.8	294.6	156.2	153.6	70.2
July	655.6	332.3	10.6	312.7	99.2	38.8	100.0	60.6	299.5	163.1	156.9	69.8
August	665.1	337.2	11.3	316.7	101.2	39.4	102.8	61.8	301.8	163.1	159.3	72.8
September	673.6	337.2	11.0	325.5	102.3	39.8	105.7	61.4	303.5	163.3	162.2	72.7
October (r)	677.5	330.4	10.7	336.4	106.6	41.8	110.0	61.8	297.1	156.7	163.7	70.2
November (r)	689.4	329.0	10.4	350.0	106.4	40.8	114.8	61.3	305.4	158.7	162.8	68.3
December (p)	685.4	320.7	10.5	354.1	104.5	40.1	112.3	59.3	303.2	155.5	165.5	65.9
Average RSE (%) ¹	3	3	15	4	5	6	4	5	3	4	5	8

(p) Preliminary. (r) Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards.

X Not applicable.

¹Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.

²See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.

Table 5. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Completed

[Thousands of units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding]

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	In structures with --			Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
		1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more								
Seasonally adjusted annual rate												
2012: December	672	520	(S)	144	57	47	100	93	352	269	163	111
2013: January	720	554	(S)	156	73	54	89	83	370	288	188	129
February	727	573	(S)	147	65	45	108	94	373	305	181	129
March	810	591	(S)	214	97	61	116	98	371	293	226	139
April	698	526	(S)	166	62	46	127	92	353	267	156	121
May	711	559	(S)	142	58	47	116	89	382	297	155	126
June	759	540	(S)	205	70	42	113	84	388	295	188	119
July	783	578	(S)	197	88	54	122	95	377	278	196	151
August	765	570	(S)	190	71	47	123	104	408	301	163	118
September	762	564	(S)	190	81	50	125	97	400	301	156	116
October (r)	814	605	(S)	197	68	45	136	101	433	320	177	139
November (r)	834	599	(S)	227	80	48	135	105	412	299	207	147
December (p)	744	550	(S)	183	92	46	109	87	381	295	162	122
Average RSE (%) ¹	6	5	(X)	15	20	11	11	11	8	8	12	11
Percent Change:												
<i>December 2013 from November 2013</i>	-10.8%	-8.2%	(S)	-19.4%	15.0%	-4.2%	-19.3%	-17.1%	-7.5%	-1.3%	-21.7%	-17.0%
<i>90% Confidence Interval²</i>	± 9.9	± 10.1	(X)	± 29.1	± 56.8	± 21.9	± 18.5	± 17.9	± 19.1	± 22.2	± 16.6	± 17.7
<i>December 2013 from December 2012</i>	10.7%	5.8%	(S)	27.1%	61.4%	-2.1%	9.0%	-6.5%	8.2%	9.7%	-0.6%	9.9%
<i>90% Confidence Interval²</i>	± 11.7	± 9.0	(X)	± 49.5	± 62.4	± 25.8	± 21.6	± 17.2	± 16.1	± 15.2	± 20.6	± 18.3
Not seasonally adjusted												
2012:	649.2	483.0	8.7	157.6	74.7	46.8	110.5	85.2	324.6	250.4	139.4	100.6
2013: (p)	762.2	567.8	8.6	185.8	75.4	48.3	118.9	94.4	389.2	295.6	178.7	129.5
RSE (%)	2	1	18	5	6	4	3	4	2	3	3	2
Year to Year Percent Change³	17.4%	17.6%	-1.5%	17.9%	0.9%	3.3%	7.6%	10.8%	19.9%	18.0%	28.2%	28.8%
<i>90% Confidence Interval²</i>	± 3.7	± 3.5	± 27.4	± 12.3	± 11.3	± 10.3	± 8.0	± 6.2	± 5.3	± 5.2	± 9.1	± 6.9
2012: December	64.8	50.7	0.7	13.4	5.4	4.5	10.4	9.8	33.7	26.0	15.3	10.4
2013: January	47.5	36.9	0.6	9.9	4.6	3.4	5.5	5.1	24.8	19.6	12.5	8.8
February	49.7	39.6	0.5	9.7	4.1	2.8	7.1	6.2	26.4	21.9	12.2	8.7
March	61.7	45.8	0.4	15.5	6.5	3.8	7.9	6.6	29.2	23.5	18.2	11.9
April	54.6	40.5	0.5	13.6	4.7	3.4	10.0	7.2	27.9	20.9	12.0	9.1
May	58.3	46.3	0.8	11.2	4.8	4.0	9.3	7.1	31.3	24.6	12.9	10.6
June	66.0	47.0	1.2	17.8	6.4	4.0	9.4	6.9	34.1	26.0	16.1	10.2
July	67.0	47.2	0.8	19.0	7.8	4.5	10.4	7.8	32.3	22.8	16.5	12.1
August	71.6	50.7	0.5	20.5	6.9	4.3	11.4	9.4	38.2	26.7	15.1	10.3
September	69.7	50.9	0.7	18.0	7.3	4.3	12.3	9.7	35.8	26.5	14.3	10.5
October (r)	73.7	56.9	1.0	15.9	6.4	4.6	12.6	9.8	38.9	29.8	15.7	12.7
November (r)	71.6	53.4	0.6	17.5	7.4	4.9	12.3	10.0	33.8	25.0	18.1	13.4
December (p)	70.8	52.7	1.0	17.1	8.6	4.3	10.7	8.6	36.5	28.4	15.1	11.3
Average RSE (%) ¹	6	5	33	15	20	11	11	11	8	8	12	11

(p) Preliminary. (r) Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards.

X Not applicable.

¹ Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.

² See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.

³ Computed using unrounded data.